JEFFERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

The Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission met on Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 1:00 P.M. for a meeting at the Jefferson County Highway Office.

ROLL OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Members present: Kern, Davis, Delzer, Jenswold, Pileggi, Cooper, Mayer, Kutz

Members absent: Milbrath

Also Present: Ann Jenswold, Highway Department

Brian Udovich, Highway Department John Kannard, County Board Supervisor Randy Wiessinger, WisDOT/BOTS

Mick Selck, Lake Mills Police Department Amanda Lenz, Jefferson County Health Dept. Diane Nelson, Jefferson County Health Dept.

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES: The minutes from the July 18, 2018, Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission meeting, having been distributed in advance, it was moved by Kutz and seconded by Kern to approve the minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

8a. Update: Speed zone on CTH E (South of Sullivan)

The Highway Department conducted 2 Study Areas on CTH "E" South of Sullivan. After the information was compiled and reviewed, the Highway Commissioner feels there is no change warranted for a reduction of speed with the 55 MPH zone being in such a rural area. He is planning on sending a recommendation to the Village of Sullivan reference a step down zone within the Village limits. No Motion

Update: Speed zone on CTH E (SE of Watertown)

Commissioner Kern updated the Committee on the meeting with the City of Watertown, regarding CTH "E", SE of Watertown. He stated that from the County's perspective there would be no change in the speed zone. The City of Watertown understands the County's viewpoint on the matter. No Motion

9a. Update: Speed zone on CTH B (East of 26)

The Highway Department conducted 3 Study Areas on CTH "B" East of 26. Study Area 1, in an existing 45 MPH, zone showed the 85th percentile speed between 45-49 mph. Study Area 2 and 3 were conducted in the existing 55 MPH zone, showing the 85th percentile speeds of 54-56 mph and 59 mph respectively. The recommendation is to leave the zones marked as they currently are, with no changes. No Motion

NEW BUSINESS

None

10. Traffic Accident Spot Map – Jefferson County Sheriff's Department

The 2018 Rural Car Crashes in Jefferson County report showed the following:

Sheriff Department January 1 through August 31, 2018:

Fatalities 6; Personal Injury 95; Property Damage Only 323; Deer Crash with Fatality 0; Deer Crash with Injury 1; Deer Crash 191.

State Patrol January 1 through September 30, 2018: Fatalities 0; Personal Injury 15; Property Damage Only 68; Deer Crash with Fatality 0; Deer Crash with Injury 0; Deer Crash 25.

11. WisDOT Southwest Region, Madison - Traffic Section (Ryan Mayer)

No Report

12. WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety – Transportation Safety Report & Highway Safety Input

Randy Wiessinger reported on the slight decrease in fatalities for the year and other statewide concerns. He used Community Maps to inform the Committee on how Jefferson County compares to the State of Wisconsin in statistics for the year and the 5 year average for accidents and fatalities. The Committee also reviewed and discussed recent Jefferson County accident sites via Community Maps. No Motion

13. Wisconsin State Patrol (Greg Jenswold)

Sgt. Jenswold reported that the Jefferson Troop is currently short a few officers, but if any law enforcement agency is in need of assistance with enforcement, to let him know.

14. Village/City Police Department-Reports

No Report

15. Jefferson County Highway Department - Report

No Report

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The next Traffic Safety Commission meeting is set for Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at the Jefferson County Highway Department, at 1:00 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Kutz and seconded by Mr. Kern to adjourn at 2:10 p.m. Carried unanimously.